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THE PAST

With a proud 152-year heritage of serving as the state's militia, the South Dakota National Guard finds its origins dating back to 1862 as part of the Dakota Territory. Since that time, our National Guard has served in nearly every major war or conflict since the Civil War. The SDNG saw combat during the Spanish American War, World War I and II, Operations Just Cause and Desert Storm. Our National Guard was also called up during the Mexican Border Conflict, Korean War, Berlin Crisis and peacekeeping missions in Bosnia and Kosovo.

Since the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on America, each of South Dakota's 22 National Guard communities has experienced a unit mobilization in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom, New Dawn and Noble Eagle. More than 7,200 Soldiers and Airmen have deployed in support of these operations.

The National Guard is the only military component that holds a dual-mission consisting of both federal and state roles. The federal mission is to maintain trained and equipped units

available for prompt mobilization for war or a national emergency. At the state level, the governor reserves the ability, under the Constitution, to call up members of the National Guard in times of domestic emergencies.

Throughout our history, natural disasters have called forth the Guard's spirit of teamwork and sacrifice to battle floods, fires, blizzards and tornado destruction. The Rapid City Flood of 1972, the Spencer Tornado in 1998, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in 2005, the Missouri River Flood in 2011 and Winter Storm Atlas in 2013 are just a few of the disasters in which the SDNG mobilized its Citizen-Soldiers to help their fellow South Dakotans and Americans in times of need.

The proud heirs of the militia tradition can be found in the men and women of today's SDNG. They stand ready to leave the comforts of home and family to help their friends and neighbors, defend the nation's interests and bring peace and hope to people in the world.



THE PRESENT

Today's SDNG remains strong with nearly 4,200 Soldiers and Airmen available to execute its dual-mission on the state and federal level. The Guard is located in 22 communities throughout South Dakota; comprised of 40 Army Guard units and 17 Air Guard units. These units perform a variety of missions, which include command and control, administration, engineering, field artillery, transportation, logistics, communications, maintenance, aviation, public affairs, military police, firefighting and medical.

The National Guard is no longer a strategic reserve to the active component, but an operational force directly integrated into active-duty deployments and missions. The force structure of the SDNG is designed to meet the needs of the future force; giving the Guard an enhanced capability to respond in times of emergencies and natural disasters and to support overseas contingency operations.

The SDNG had a significant impact on the state economy with nearly \$186.1 million in expenditures and wages last year. The SDNG is one of the largest employers in the state with more than 970 full-time employees, along with nearly 3,200 traditional Guard members

who train on a part-time basis while pursuing a career or civilian education. These full-time employees, along with state employees and civilian contractors, work to assist the traditional Guardsman by providing administrative, training and logistical support. This support collectively goes into helping units meet mobilization and readiness requirements.

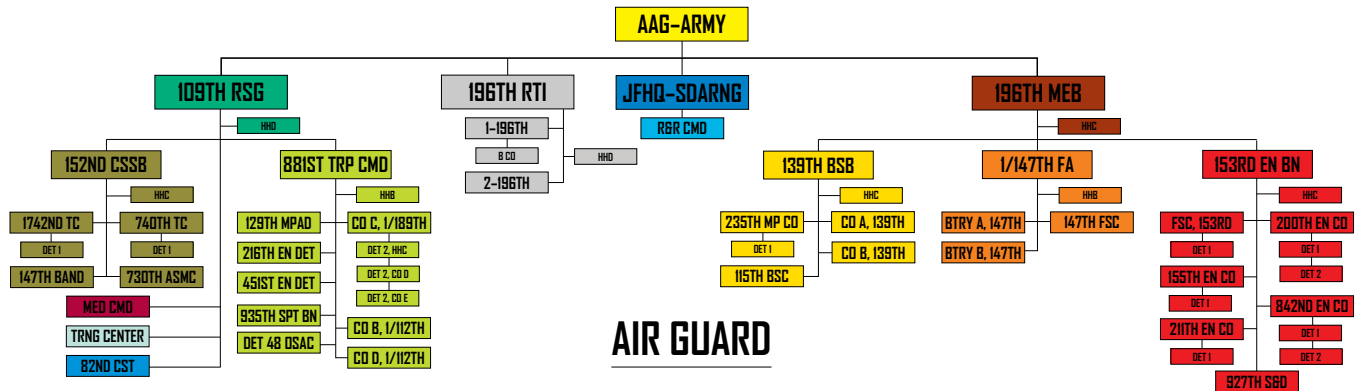
The Army Guard has four major command headquarters and remains strong with nearly 3,200 Soldiers available for state and federal missions. The nerve center resides at the state headquarters at Camp Rapid in Rapid City; an 84-acre training site first developed in 1924.

The Air National Guard is located on the southeast corner of Joe Foss Field in Sioux Falls. It has more than 1,000 Airmen assigned to its headquarters and the 114th Fighter Wing to provide ready units for state and federal missions.

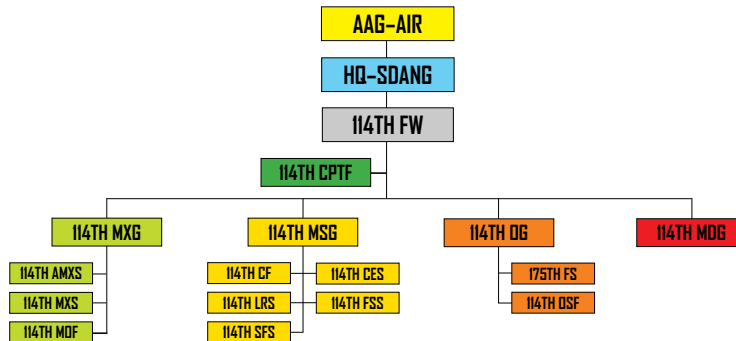
The SDNG is divided into task forces to provide assistance to communities throughout the state in the event of an emergency. Separated by geographical regions, units are assigned to each task force providing personnel and equipment for response to severe fires, natural disasters, search-and-rescue operations, civil disturbances or homeland defense.

UNIT COMMAND STRUCTURE

ARMY GUARD



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ECONOMIC IMPACT

FEDERAL INVESTMENT

South Dakota Army National Guard

▪ Military Pay & Allowances:	\$62,899,325
▪ Operations & Maintenance:	\$52,422,550
▪ Military Construction:	\$0
Total Army Guard Expenditures:	\$115,321,875

South Dakota Air National Guard

▪ Military Pay & Allowances:	\$24,091,313
▪ Operations & Maintenance:	\$43,708,231
▪ Military Construction:	\$0
Total Air Guard Expenditures:	\$67,799,544
Total Federal Expenditures:	\$183,121,419

STATE INVESTMENT

	FY14 Expended	FY15 Budget
Personal Services (General Fund):	\$334,243	\$324,141
Personal Services (Other):	\$128,643	\$132,458
Operating Expenses (General Fund):	\$1,866,022	\$1,705,699
Operating Expenses (Other):	\$70,949	\$104,600
Special Appropriation (General Fund):		
- Watertown Land Purchase (UTES)	\$199,472	\$151,768
- Watertown Readiness Center	\$23,305	
- Sioux Falls Land Purchase	\$355,000	
Total State Expenditures:	\$2,977,634	\$2,418,666

COMMUNITY LOCATIONS



- Task Force 881
- Task Force 147
- Task Force 139
- Task Forces 109 & Air
- Task Force 153
- Task Force 196 & 114
- Task Force 152

TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT: \$186,099,053

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YEAR IN REVIEW

The South Dakota National Guard celebrated another historic year of service to the state and nation in 2014.

More than 160 S.D. Army National Guard Soldiers from the 1742nd Transportation Company returned from duty in Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

To date, the SDNG has deployed more than 7,200 Soldiers and Airmen in support of the Global War on Terror and for the first time in more than a decade does not have Soldiers or Airmen currently deployed overseas.

At the national level, the Air Guard continued its Airspace Control Alert mission at March Air Force Base in California, providing four F-16 Fighting Falcons and pilots.

On the home front, the Guard continued to provide domestic operations support to the citizens of South Dakota. In 2014, the SDNG provided 394 personnel, supporting four mission assignments for a total of 1,361 man-days.

There were 114 Guardsmen called to state active duty with equipment to conduct flood response operations with sandbagging and levee construction support along the Big Sioux River in Union County. During the same period, an additional 268 Soldiers with equipment were activated to support tornado recovery operations providing security and debris removal in Wessington Springs.

The Army Guard hosted the 30th Annual Golden Coyote training exercise in the southern Black Hills in June. More than 4,400 service members from 45 units representing 15 states and four allied nations participated in the exercise, taking advantage of quality training opportunities in support of overseas contingency operations and homeland defense. Many community service projects were also completed during the exercise, which included timber



hauls, medical and veterinary services to Native American Reservations, construction projects, which included road maintenance in the Black Hills National Forest, construction of walking bridges in Custer State Park and construction of an administration building for the Black Hill Area Habitat for Humanity.

This year marked the eighth year of the South Dakota and Suriname State Partnership Program. Engagements continued with seven significant exchanges, focusing on officer candidate school training and women in the military.

The Air Guard welcomed a new chief of staff as Brig. Gen. Steven Warren was

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promoted and is now directly responsible to the SDANG's assistant adjutant general for the combat readiness and operational effectiveness of the SDANG. Prior to his promotion, Warren served as the vice commander of the 114th Fighter Wing and commander of the 114th Mission Support Group.

The SDNG received numerous awards in 2014, once again distinguishing itself as one of the top National Guard organizations in the nation. The 114th Fighter Wing earned Air Combat Command's first overall "highly effective" grade during a Unit Effectiveness Inspection.

The 114th Fighter Wing was also awarded the Spaatz Trophy at the National Guard Association of the United States conference. The Spaatz Trophy is presented annually

to the most outstanding flying unit in the Air National Guard. Selection is based on overall combat readiness and the unit's performance with respect to all other Air National Guard flying units. This is the fourth time the 114th Fighter Wing has won the prestigious award.

Twelve Army National Guard units received the National Guard Bureau's Superior Unit Award in recognition of outstanding achievement. The award is presented only to units that meet very high standards in drill attendance, physical fitness, weapons qualification and maintenance.

The 153rd Engineer Battalion received the Maj. Gen. Milton A. Reckord Trophy, as the most outstanding ARNG battalion for achieving the highest standards for training and readiness.

The Forward Support Company, 153rd En. Bn. won the Army Award for Maintenance

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The NGAUS recognized Chief Warrant Officer 4 Brett Anderson as an Eagle Rising Award recipient during its general conference. The Eagle Rising Award recognizes the achievements and dedicated service of ARNG warrant officers.

The SDARNG finished in second place in the bronze category for the 2014 Army Communities of Excellence Awards. The SDARNG placed 12th overall among 31 applicants in the ARNG. The ACDE Awards follow a 12-month evaluation in which U.S. Army, National Guard and Reserve installations are judged on how well they demonstrate the maturity of key organizational processes and their ability to show results in key areas.

As the SDNG looks forward to the future, never in its history has it been better trained, better equipped or more heavily relied upon than they are today. The SDNG continues its legacy and tradition as a force ready to support and defend its communities, state and nation.



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JFHQ DET. COMMANDER – MAJ Clint Shepard
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Nate Hedin

MISSION: JFHQ supports the nearly 3,200 members of the SDARNG, providing trained and equipped, ready forces capable of mobilizing and deploying in support of state and federal missions, and conducts missions authorized by the governor and/or the National Command Authority.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
SIZE: 216

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Multiple VIP visits during the Golden Coyote training exercise such as Lt. Gen. Lengyel, vice chief of NGB, and Maj. Gen. Lyons, the acting director of the Army National Guard.
- Planned and coordinated Golden Coyote, hosting multiple units from the U.S., Canada, Denmark and the U.K.
- Supported multiple units with Soldier Readiness Processings, Command Maintenance Evaluation Team inspections and Maintenance Assistance and Instruction Team visits.

RECRUITING AND RETENTION BATTALION

COMMANDER – LTC Kory Knight
COMMAND SGT MAJ – CSM John Mallinger
RSP COMMANDER – CPT Bill Bierle
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Corey Rabenberg

MISSION: The Recruiting and Retention Battalion, with 26 recruiters in communities across South Dakota, recruits and retains quality Soldiers in the SDARNG.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
SIZE: 51

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Hosted 30 Guard Experience Night events in communities across the state.
- Teamed with the NFL to host two high school player development football/leadership camps with more than 500 students attending to learn about character and sportsmanship.
- The Recruit Sustainment Program was ranked #2 in the nation in implementing events like "Bring a Friend to Drill" and mock ceremonies at sporting events.

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196TH REGIMENT (REGIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE)

REGIMENT COMMANDER – COL Timothy Moran
 COMMAND SGT MAJ – CSM Todd Grabow
 HHD COMMANDER – CPT Amber Symonds
 HHD FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Marcus Frey

MISSION: The 196th Regiment (RTI) provides a model environment for training future leaders for the Army National Guard and provides general instruction on a variety of military courses. The regiment has two subordinate battalions: 1st Battalion at Fort Meade and the 2nd Battalion in Sioux Falls.



LOCATION: FORT MEADE & SIOUX FALLS
REGIMENT SIZE: 56 **HHD SIZE:** 22

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Planned a 2015 collective training event involving both battalions, utilizing the military decision making process.
- Connected officer candidates from across the nation with their families, by informing families of their arrival and by providing Service Member Family Support office contact information.
- The 196th Regiment attained the standards required of the Superior Unit Award.

1ST BATTALION (OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOL), 196TH REGIMENT (RTI)

1-196TH COMMANDER – LTC Deb Bartunek
 CHIEF INSTRUCTOR – MSG Todd Bartels
 COMPANY B, 1-196TH COMMANDER
 CPT Duston Mullen

MISSION: 1st Battalion (Officer Candidate School), 196th Regiment (RTI) conducts the consolidated and traditional OCS program, Warrant Officer Candidate School program, as well as the Tactics Certification Course and the Platoon Trainer Qualification Course to qualify OCS platoon trainers and instructors.



LOCATION: FORT MEADE
SIZE: 13

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Trained and graduated 550 Soldiers in OCS, WOCS Tactics Certification Course and Platoon Trainer Qualification Course.
- Trained more phase I officer candidates than any other program in the National Guard.
- Conducted consolidated and traditional OCS commissioning ceremonies at Mount Rushmore.
- Successfully integrated Danish Home Guard instructors into OCS phase I.

2ND BATTALION (MODULAR TRAINING), 196TH REGIMENT (RTI)

2-196TH COMMANDER – LTC Theodore Bartunek
 CHIEF INSTRUCTOR – MSG Dean Nixon

MISSION: 2nd Battalion (Modular Training), 196th Regiment (RTI) provides instruction in the military occupational specialties Motor Transport Operator (88M), Multiple Launch Rocket System crew member (13M), and MLRS Fire Direction Specialist (13P). They also conduct Noncommissioned Officer Education System courses within the 13M and 13P specialties and provide functional course training.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 21

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted first ever Army Basic Instructor Course to 15 Danish Home Guard Soldiers in Denmark.
- Trained and graduated 386 Soldiers in MOS, NCOES and Army functional courses.
- Trained and influenced a healthy lifestyle change for 79 SDARNG Soldiers who completed the first Comprehensive Soldier Family Fitness courses.

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109TH REGIONAL SUPPORT GROUP

RSG COMMANDER – COL Marshall Michels
COMMAND SGT MAJ – CSM James Hoekman
HHD COMMANDER – CPT Marie Strang
DETACHMENT SERGEANT – SFC Michael Huitema

MISSION: The 109th RSG provides command and control, and supervision for 23 units with approximately 900 Soldiers in nine communities. The RSG provides mission command for non-major combat operations and assists units meeting training, readiness and deployment requirements.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
REGIMENT SIZE: 986 **HHD SIZE:** 65

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted a collective staff exercise using the military decision making process and design methodology exercising command and control capabilities within a base camp headquarters scenario.
- Assisted with initial response and command and control element for the Wessington Springs tornado.
- Supported the successful redeployment of the 1742nd Transportation Company's redeployment through mobilization station and the welcome home ceremony.

82ND CIVIL SUPPORT TEAM

COMMANDER – LTC Brendan Murphy
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Mike Weyrich

MISSION: The 82nd CST is the SDNG's all-hazard response team specializing in the areas of chemical, biological and radiological incidents. The team is a joint Army and Air National Guard unit certified as hazardous materials technicians. The CST is capable of responding to natural or man-made disasters. The 82nd is one of 57 CSTs in the U.S. and can be called upon for deployment nationwide.



LOCATION: ELLSWORTH AIR FORCE BASE
SIZE: 22

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Successfully completed collective lanes training and received a "Trained" evaluation on the Training Proficiency Evaluation from Army North evaluators.
- Supported the Wessington Springs community during the aftermath of a devastating tornado by providing an initial response force and task force command.
- Received an overall 97% compliance rating from NGB's Standardization Evaluation and Assistance Team, placing the 82nd amongst the country's top-tier CSTs.

MEDICAL COMMAND

BATTALION COMMANDER – COL Kevin Vaughn
UNIT COMMANDER – CPT Bradley Sudbeck
SENIOR MEDICAL NCO – MSG Danny Doty

MISSION: Medical Command plans, programs, provides and sustains health force protection and medical/dental support to meet operational, training and mobilization medical readiness requirements of ARNG units and Soldiers.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
SIZE: 50

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Exceeded goal of influenza vaccines given in 2014 with over 92% before NGB goal of 90% by Dec. 1.
- Maintained medical readiness above 90% throughout year.
- Supported six PHA events in Sioux Falls and Rapid City, conducting 1,052 medical exams and 696 dental exams, allowing the SDNG to maintain its top five ranking nationally in medical readiness.

TRAINING CENTER

COMMANDER – LTC Kevin DeJong
COMMAND SGT MAJ – CSM Douglas Mahoney
HHC COMMANDER – MAJ Jeremy Bryan
DETACHMENT SERGEANT – MSG Bryan Pohlen

MISSION: Training Center operates the installation, manages and administers the use of resources, provides administrative, training and logistical support to assigned, attached and tenant units and activities, and prepares to expand and operate as a separate installation upon mobilization.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
SIZE: 26

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Provided logistics and training support for Golden Coyote.
- Supported the SDNG response to the Wessington Springs tornado with personnel and equipment.
- Provided construction management oversight for Camp Rapid building remodeling and repairs during Golden Coyote.



152ND COMBAT SUSTAINMENT SUPPORT BATTALION

BATTALION COMMANDER – LTC Jade Beehler
 COMMAND SGT MAJ – CSM Samuel Harkin
 HHC COMMANDER – CPT Cody Spann
 HHC FIRST SERGEANT – SFC Joshua Schaefer

MISSION: The 152nd CSSB provides mission command for combat operations and assists units in meeting training, readiness and deployment requirements. The 152nd is the higher headquarters for five units with nearly 500 Soldiers in seven communities throughout South Dakota.



LOCATION: PIERRE
BATTALION SIZE: 553 **HHC SIZE:** 69

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Assisted in deploying/redeploying the 1742nd Trans. Co.
- Assisted in emergency operations following the Wessington Springs tornado.
- Coordinated and assisted in sandbag operations in Sioux Falls during the Big Sioux River flooding.
- Soldiers from the unit supported Task Force Harvest in Germany.
- Soldier served as an evaluator at the National Best Warrior Challenge.

740TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY

COMMANDER – CPT Hogan Easton
 FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Douglas Borchert

MISSION: The 740th provides transportation of both dry refrigerated cargo and bulk water and fuel products. With more than 100 members in the unit headquarters in Milbank and more than 70 members in Detachment I in Aberdeen, the unit uses M-915 semi-tractor trailers to complete assigned missions.



LOCATION: MILBANK & ABERDEEN
SIZE: 170

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Ranked number one transportation unit in the ARNG.
- Received the Superior Unit Award for the second year in a row.
- Hauled a Texas ARNG unit to Camp Guernsey for annual training, traveling more than 165,000 miles.
- 40 members volunteered to deploy to Afghanistan with the 1742nd Trans. Co.
- Supported the community of Milbank during the annual citywide cleanup.

1742ND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY

COMMANDER – CPT Tyler Gerlach
 FIRST SERGEANT – ISG John Rajdl

MISSION: The 1742nd provides transportation of dry and refrigerated containerized cargo, general non-containerized cargo, and bulk water and fuel products. With more than 130 members in Sioux Falls, and more than 50 members in its Detachment I in Flandreau, the company uses M-915A tractors with M872A1 trailers to complete assigned missions.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS & FLANDREAU
SIZE: 180

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom from December 2013 to October 2014.
- Assisted in closing 10 NATO forces bases in Afghanistan.
- Conducted over 50 combat missions in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.
- Received the 2014 Superior Unit Award for training excellence.

730TH AREA SUPPORT MEDICAL COMPANY

COMMANDER – CPT Joshua Paull
 FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Michael Rath

MISSION: The 730th ASMC is composed of combat medics, lab technicians, radiologists, dental technicians, mental health technicians, medical doctors, nurses, physician's assistants and maintenance and support staff. The ASMC stands ready to provide echelon I and echelon II health support to any personnel within its area of operations.



LOCATION: VERMILLION
SIZE: 85

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training at Golden Coyote, providing medical support to three FOBs and various off sight missions, treating more than 160 patients.
- Conducted large scale medical trauma training exercise in conjunction with SDARNG medical aviation units.
- Received the 2014 Superior Unit Award for training excellence.



147TH ARMY BAND

COMMANDER – CW4 Terry Beckler
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Tim Schorn

MISSION: The 147th Army Band provides music throughout the full spectrum of military operations and instills in our service members the will to fight and win, fosters support of our citizens and promotes our national interests at home and abroad.



LOCATION: MITCHELL
SIZE: 40

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- The 147th's five teams performed at more than 40 schools during their annual training segment.
- Accomplished 76 missions, reaching 38,000 people.
- Supported the Legislative Dining Out, the SDNGEA conference, SDANG Hometown Heroes Salute, SDANG Annual Turkey Feed, USD ROTC Commissioning Ceremony, Sioux Falls Jazz Fest, Brookings Arts Festival, and visited the VA Hospitals in Sioux Falls, Hot Springs and Sturgis, and the VA Home in Hot Springs.

881ST TROOP COMMAND

COMMANDER – LTC Michael Snow
COMMAND SGT MAJ – CSM Dan Konechne

MISSION: The 881st Troop Command of Sturgis provides command and control and supervision for 13 distinct units and detachments totaling about 300 Soldiers in two communities in western South Dakota. The 881st is predominately comprised of Aviation units; however, it also supports numerous specialty units as well and is commonly dubbed one of the biggest little Battalions in the state.



LOCATION: STURGIS
BATTALION SIZE: 235 TROOP COMMAND HQ SIZE: 30

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Supported the city of Sturgis after Winter Storm Atlas by clearing the bike path, around the community center and a cemetery.
- Reconstituted the 129th MPAD and 1978th Contracting Team after deployment, fielded the Mike model UH-60's to C 1/189th and new PPE to the 216th/451st FF team, and transferred mission command of the 730th ASMB to the 152nd CSSB.
- Hosted the State Enlisted Conference in Deadwood.

COMPANY C, 1/189TH AVIATION REGIMENT

COMMANDER – MAJ Michael Flanery
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Michael Martin

MISSION: Company C, 1st Battalion, 189th Aviation Regiment provides aero-medical evacuation support with its six UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters. The company is made up of pilots, crew chiefs, medics, aviation operations specialists and support personnel who continuously train to maintain a high state of readiness.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
SIZE: 78

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Initiated the transition and fielding of the HH-60M Black Hawk helicopter from the aging fleet of UH-60A/L Black Hawk helicopters.
- Participated in two emergency civilian MEDEVAC missions; deploying aircraft in support of the rescue efforts.
- Received the 2014 Superior Unit Award for training excellence and submitted for the Pershing Award, representing the 109th RSG.

COMPANY D, 1/112TH AVIATION REGIMENT

COMMANDER – CPT Martin Skovly
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Bruce Conger

MISSION: Company D, 1st Battalion, 112th Aviation Regiment provides aero-medical evacuation in support of homeland security defense requirements including Northern Command's area of responsibility, state adjutants general and selected OCONUS operations. Company D has two detachments located in Wisconsin and Idaho.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
SIZE: 49

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Several members supported the Southwest Border Mission in Texas providing surveillance along the U.S.-Mexico border.
- Provided real world MEDEVAC for the Golden Coyote.
- Provided employers and spouses the opportunity to fly in the UH-72 Lakota.

DETACHMENT 1, COMPANY B, 1/112TH AVIATION REGIMENT

COMMANDER – 1LT John Barnes
FIRST SERGEANT – SFC Scott Helmann

MISSION: Det. 1, Co. B, 1st Bn., 112th Aviation Regiment provides command, control and communication flights, limited air movements, aerial reconnaissance and screening operations for homeland security defense requirements. The unit is a detachment of Company B, 1/112th located in Michigan with a sister detachment in Utah.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
SIZE: 23

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Provided real world surveillance for the 2014 Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.
- Several members supported the Southwest Border Mission in Texas providing surveillance along the U.S.-Mexico border.
- Conducted joint training with several civil authorities throughout the state during annual training.

COMPANY B, 935TH AVIATION SUPPORT BATTALION

COMMANDER – CW3 David Handshue
DETACHMENT SERGEANT – SFC Anton Derline

MISSION: Det. 1, Co. B, 935th Aviation Support Battalion provides aviation maintenance and repair support to aircraft and avionics equipment. The 935th provides maintenance support for the SDARNG's rotary aircraft, the UH-60 Black Hawk and the LUH-72 Lakota, keeping the state ready to provide safe and capable helicopters.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
SIZE: 33

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Initiated new training cycle after returning from OEF deployment in 2013.
- Provided aviation maintenance support to prepare UH-60 Black Hawks that responded after Wessington Springs tornado.
- Began sending maintenance personnel through transition courses to prepare for receipt of new HH-60M Black Hawk aircraft.
- Certified seven Soldiers as NVG maintainers.

DETACHMENT 48, OPERATIONAL SUPPORT AIRLIFT COMMAND

COMMANDER – CW4 Wayne Walker
FIRST SERGEANT – SFC Randall McCann

MISSION: Detachment 48, Operational Support Airlift Command provides fixed-wing operational airlift support for the National Guard, military departments and federal agencies as scheduled by the OSA Command. The pilots and operations NCOs are available 24-hours-a-day to support South Dakota and national homeland security missions.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
SIZE: 9

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Supported the Wounded Warrior Project by transporting patients to medical facilities.
- Supported National Passenger Transportation with over 700 flight hours for the year.
- Provided equipment and flight support to neighboring states that were without aircraft for extended periods of time.
- Participated in the 2014 Black Hills Veterans March, winning Mini-March Team Male first place.

129TH MOBILE PUBLIC AFFAIRS DETACHMENT

COMMANDER – CPT Eric Tobin
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Lorissa Wetzler

MISSION: The 129th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment provides public affairs support to units across the state, as well as to deployed units in support of a combined, unified or joint operation. The MPAD uses print and broadcast journalism to help tell the story of the U.S. military and the South Dakota National Guard.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
SIZE: 20

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training at Golden Coyote, supporting the 314th Press Camp Headquarters.
- Three personnel supported state active duty operations in Wessington Springs for the tornado cleanup effort and two in Union County for the flood cleanup effort.
- Received new equipment for print and broadcast operations.





216TH & 451ST ENGINEER DETACHMENTS (FIREFIGHTING TEAMS)

216TH/451ST COMMANDER – CW2 Terry Hoey
216TH FIRE CHIEF – SFC Austin Hagen
451ST STATION CHIEF – SSG Maxwell Stoltzberg

MISSION: The 216th is a headquarters element that provides command and control over firefighting teams in a theater of operations, to include fire protection of aviation and major facilities. The 451st provides firefighting service and support in a theater of operations, to include fire protection of aviation and major facilities.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY
SIZE: II

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training with military and civilian fire departments.
- 451st conducted a joint vehicle extrication exercise with personnel from the Ellsworth Fire Dept. Soldiers and Airmen extracted victims from wrecked vehicles.
- 216th and 451st conducted live vehicle fire training with Sturgis Fire Dept. at the cities training facility. The training focused on extinguishing techniques for vehicles and integrating with civilian firefighter and equipment.

196TH MANEUVER ENHANCEMENT BRIGADE

MEB COMMANDER – COL Terry Ommen
COMMAND SGT MAJ – CSM George Arends
HHC COMMANDER – CPT Chris Janos
HHC FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Robert Schmidt

MISSION: The MEB enables, enhances and protects operational and tactical freedom of action for a supported maneuver force. The unit commands and controls the forces necessary to conduct security and functional operations in a designated area of responsibility. The MEB is one of four SDARNG major commands.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
BRIGADE SIZE: 1,897 **196TH MEB. SIZE:** 193

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training at the Maneuver Support Center at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, to exercise command and control capabilities.
- Supported Golden Coyote by assisting the operational forces throughout the area of operations. Provided personnel for mess, logistics, civil affairs, liaisons for coalition forces and facilitated lanes training.
- Assisted with command and control elements for Union County flooding and the Wessington Springs tornado.

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139TH BRIGADE SUPPORT BATTALION

BSB COMMANDER – LTC Jason Kettwig
 COMMAND SGT MAJ – CSM Arthur Allcock
 HHC COMMANDER – CPT Lance Lockwood
 HHC FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Jeffrey Bauer

MISSION: The 139th BSB consists of three organic units: Headquarters and Headquarters Company; Company A, a distribution unit; and Company B, a field maintenance unit. The 139th is also augmented with the 235th Military Police Company and the 115th Signal Company.



LOCATION: BROOKINGS
BATTALION SIZE: 456 **HHC SIZE:** 76

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- HHC, 139th BSB, received training in the Military Decision Making Process in the T.O.C. environment during annual training.
- Four Soldiers of HHC participated in Belligerent Grizzly, an exercise with the Canadian military forces.
- HHC received the 2014 Superior Unit Award for training excellence.
- Supported the community of Miller during annual citywide cleanup.

COMPANY A, 139TH BRIGADE SUPPORT BATTALION

COMMANDER – CPT Anthony Stokely
 FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Jeffrey Wessels

MISSION: Company A, 139th BSB is a distribution company with a mission to provide transportation for the movement of cargo, water and fuel by motor transport. The unit consists of a headquarters, supply platoon, and fuel and water platoon.



LOCATION: WATERTOWN
SIZE: 95

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training at Camp Dodge, Iowa, and MOS specific training supervised by the school house.
- Supported the Miller Township with citywide cleanup as well as promoted the Guard to the area aiding in retention as well as recruitment.
- Combined the three locations into one new armory with ample training opportunities such as weapons training, online distance learning, and online research with multiple computers for easier access.

COMPANY B, 139TH BRIGADE SUPPORT BATTALION

COMMANDER – CPT Marvin Miller
 FIRST SERGEANT – SFC Leland Johnson

MISSION: Company B, 139th BSB performs field maintenance for modular brigade combat teams and supporting brigades. The unit provides recovery, automotive/armament, ground support and electronic maintenance and maintenance management to brigade base elements. Company B has a headquarters platoon, armament/automotive platoon and electronics platoon.



LOCATION: MITCHELL
SIZE: 71

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training at Camp Dodge, Iowa, at the STC, received the unit Safety Award.
- Provided assistance and equipment after the Wessington Springs tornado.
- Supported the community of Miller during annual citywide cleanup, conducted recovery operations and a mass casualty exercise during an FTX in Miller.
- Received the 2014 TAG Safety Award.

235TH MILITARY POLICE COMPANY

COMMANDER – CPT John Peary
 FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Brian Anderson

MISSION: The 235th provides security for U.S. military personnel, installation and facilities. They also guard prisoners of war and civilian internees. Major duties are to supervise and provide support to the battlefield by conducting battlefield circulation control, area security, prisoner of war operations, civilian internee operations, and law and order operations on the battlefield.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY & SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 177

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Sent to the Dakota Dunes area in support of Union County flood operations.
- Received the 2013 Reserve Family Readiness Award.
- Received the South Dakota National Guard Service Member and Family Support Award for 2013 & the Military Officers Association of America Family Readiness Group Award.
- Supported State Partnership Program with riot, crowd control training in Suriname.



115TH SIGNAL COMPANY

COMMANDER – CPT Carlton Willems
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Shawn Bastian

MISSION: The 115th Signal Company provides 24-hour operational command, control, communications, computer, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (C4ISR) signal systems network to a supported maneuver enhancement brigade, combat aviation brigade and/or sustainment brigade, which includes deploying, installing, operating and maintaining these systems.



LOCATION: BROOKINGS
SIZE: 49

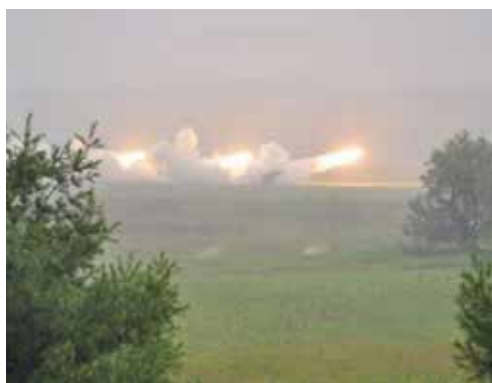
SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Awarded the Eisenhower Trophy for the most exceptional SDARNG unit.
- Conducted annual training supporting U.S. and South Korea military forces during the annual Ulchi Freedom Guardian exercise.
- Supported the community of Brookings during the Brookings Marathon by providing traffic control and finish line support for over 800 runners.

1ST BATTALION, 147TH FIELD ARTILLERY

I/147TH COMMANDER – LTC James Linn
COMMAND SGT MAJ – CSM Todd Rose
HHB COMMANDER – ILT Brandon Wolf
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Steven Anderson

MISSION: 1st Battalion, 147th Field Artillery provides command and control, planning, execution and support for two Multiple Launch Rocket System batteries and one forward support company. Assists assigned units in meeting training, administrative and logistics requirements to maintain readiness.



LOCATION: WATERTOWN
BATTALION SIZE: 402 **HHB SIZE:** 94

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted STX lanes in preparation for annual training.
- Fielded new equipment for a Driver Vision Enhance display, Long Range Harris Communications System, Vehicle Operational Life Extension Program, Blue Force Tracker update and thermal sights for crew served weapons.
- Conducted live-fire of the MLRS, crew-served weapons qualification, Field Leaders Reaction course and combat medics accomplishing tables for recertification.

147TH FORWARD SUPPORT COMPANY

COMMANDER – CPT Adam Rounds
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Michael Becker

MISSION: The 147th Forward Support Company is a multi-functional organization consisting of a headquarters section, field feeding section, distribution platoon and maintenance platoon, which all support the 1st Battalion, 147th Field Artillery.



LOCATION: WATERTOWN
SIZE: 150

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training at Camp Ripley, Minnesota, and conducted live-fire of MLRS, crew-served weapons qualification and drivers training.
- Supported sandbag operations in Union County in support of flood response efforts.
- Twelve Soldiers completed H8 recovery training at Camp Ripley.

BATTERY A, 1ST BATTALION, 147TH FIELD ARTILLERY

COMMANDER – CPT Cody Becker
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Michael Wilkening

MISSION: Battery A, 1/147th Field Artillery will deploy to provide rocket and missile fires in support of the higher tasking headquarters to destroy, neutralize or suppress in accordance with Army depth and simultaneous attack. Battery A is equipped with the M270A1 Multiple Launch Rocket System, capable of firing a variety of munitions in support of unified land operations.



LOCATION: ABERDEEN
SIZE: 80

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Trained on "Big 3 Mod" upgrade consisting of Drivers Vision Enhancement, Long Range High Frequency Radios (Harris) and Blue Force Tracker.
- Live fired 34 M28A1/A2 rockets.
- Received the 2014 Superior Unit Award for training excellence.
- Conducted annual training at Camp Ripley, Minnesota.



BATTERY B, 1ST BATTALION, 147TH FIELD ARTILLERY

COMMANDER – CPT Darrin Eichacer
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Brooks Schild

MISSION: Battery B, 1/147th Field Artillery is a Multiple Launch Rocket System field artillery unit that provides medium and long-range missile fires in support of the war fighter. The battery is equipped with the M270A1 launcher, capable of delivering steel rain to its adversaries. The unit is outfitted with support sections for ammunition resupply, reconnaissance and fire direction.



LOCATION: YANKTON
SIZE: 80

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training which included live-fire of the MLRS, crew-served weapons familiarization, Long Range Communications radio system training, mounted and dismounted land navigation and truck rodeo.
- Supported the community of Yankton by providing entries and traffic control support for the annual Riverboat Days celebration, color guard duties at Yankton High School sporting events and supported the annual Rich Schild Memorial fireworks display.

153RD ENGINEER BATTALION

153RD COMMANDER – LTC David Dailey
COMMAND SGT MAJ – CSM Todd Mettler
HHC COMMANDER – CPT Jeffrey Williamson
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Mark Olson

MISSION: The 153rd Engineer Battalion provides mission command and supervision for seven separate units with more than 800 Soldiers in 12 communities. The Headquarters and Headquarters Company assists assigned units in meeting training, administrative and logistical requirements and achieve readiness.



LOCATION: HURON
BATTALION SIZE: 838 **HHC SIZE:** 78

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Battalion staff and senior NCO's participated in an MDM process at Ft Leonard Wood, Missouri, in preparation for the XCTC in TY 15.
- Took over the task force duties in support of the Wessington Springs tornado.
- Four HHC Soldiers trained in the U.K. and helped construct of a 150 meter long walkway.
- Unit received the 2014 Superior Unit Award for training excellence.

FORWARD SUPPORT COMPANY, 153RD ENGINEER BATTALION

COMMANDER – CPT Joshua Lien
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG John Dornbush

MISSION: The FSC, 153rd En. Bn. is designed to provide direct combat sustainment support for a maneuver battalion in the form of logistics and maintenance. The FSC is headquartered in Parkston with a detachment in Huron. The FSC has a wide variety of functions, to include a field feeding section, a distribution platoon and a maintenance platoon.



LOCATION: PARKSTON & HURON
SIZE: 88

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training at Camp Dodge, Iowa, with 48 personnel; 25,800 gallons of water purified, 294 gallons of fuel pumped, 705 miles tactically convoyed, 10 LOGPAC missions, 16 total work orders closed, 472 maintenance man-hours and 967 meals served.
- Received the Army Award for Maintenance Excellence and is competing for the Secretary of Defense Maintenance Award.

842ND ENGINEER COMPANY

COMMANDER – CPT Matthew Sadler
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Jon Schempp

MISSION: The 842nd Engineer Company is a horizontal construction unit with a mission to build and maintain roads, airstrips and rotary aircraft pads, as well as build and maintain combat outposts and forward operating bases. The unit uses a variety of equipment such as crawler tractors, motorized graders, scrapers, scoop loaders, back hoes, high-speed excavators and dump trucks.



LOCATION: SPEARFISH, BELLE FOURCHE & STURGIS
SIZE: 160

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training at FOB Orman, which included gravel haul, timber haul and sediment dam projects.
- Supported state active duty missions in Wessington Springs for tornado disaster relief and Dakota Dunes for flooding operations.
- Conducted Battle of the Blades training exercise.
- Supported the National Guard's Unit Exchange Program and sent six Soldiers to the U.K. to construct a 150m long, two-meter wide viewing walkway.



155TH ENGINEER COMPANY

COMMANDER – CPT David Dodson
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Jay Spaans

MISSION: The 155th Engineer Company is a vertical engineer company capable of providing engineering support in the construction of base camps and internment facilities, as well constructing, repairing and maintaining other vertical infrastructures in support of units within a brigade combat team, division or corps.



LOCATION: RAPID CITY & WAGNER
SIZE: 176

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Completed a comfort station, consisting of a 38'x25' Concrete Masonry Unit block structure with plumbing and electrical, as part of the archery complex that will host Olympic Archery shoot qualifications in 2016.
- Completed a 58'x52' two story building with electrical, plumbing and an elevator for Habitat for Humanity.
- 20 Soldiers assisted in flood preparations near Dakota Dunes.

200TH ENGINEER COMPANY

COMMANDER – CPT Mark Francisco
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Mike DeJong

MISSION: The 200th En. Co. is a multi-role bridging company with a mission to provide personnel and equipment transport in addition to assemble, disassemble, retrieve and maintain all standard U.S. Army bridging systems. The unit is capable of providing both temporary and permanent bridging solutions over rivers and dry-land gaps utilizing the Improved Ribbon Bridge and Heavy Dry Span Bridge.



LOCATION: PIERRE, CHAMBERLAIN & MOBRIDGE
SIZE: 192

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted training on Improved Ribbon Bridge and Heavy Dry Span Bridge, crew-served weapons qualification and drivers training.
- Supported clean up operations after the tornado in Wessington Springs.
- Conducted three different training exercises involving the communities of Pierre, Chamberlain and Lemmon.
- Received the 2014 Superior Unit Award for training excellence.

211TH ENGINEER COMPANY

COMMANDER – CPT Christopher Schimke
FIRST SERGEANT – ISG Gary Devries

MISSION: The 211th Engineer Company (SAPPER) has a mission to execute mobility, counter-mobility and survivability tasks, and to provide general engineering support to a maneuver unit or a support brigade. These tasks include combat engineering missions such as placing or clearing minefields, demolition operations, field defenses as well as the ability to operate as infantry when needed.



LOCATION: MADISON & DE SMET
SIZE: 103

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted live-fire of crew-served weapons qualification, demo operations and joint-exercise with U.K. British Sappers at annual training.
- Conducted airlift exercise inserting near a run-down COP, overtaking the site while conducting three days of continuous operations, followed by 12-mile ruck march.
- Assisted in the Wessington Springs tornado cleanup.
- Received the 2014 Superior Unit Award for training excellence.

927TH ENGINEER DETACHMENT (SURVEY & DESIGN TEAM)

COMMANDER – CW2 Jedediah Gassen
SR. TECHNICAL ENGINEER – SFC John Robinson

MISSION: The 927th Engineer Detachment (Survey and Design Team) plans, conducts, prepares and provides planning studies and tests for identified engineer work projects, provides guidance and procedure platting, legal descriptions, certification and surveys (boundary, construction) and prepares critical paths for engineer projects.



LOCATION: HURON
SIZE: 14

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted a site survey of the property of the Hot Springs Veteran's Administration Hospital complex which consisted of 14,865 survey shots.
- Produced future construction plans for the VA Hospital in Hot Springs, providing an estimated savings of \$30,000 to the VA.
- Took charge of the survey lane in conjunction with HHC during the Warrior Challenge recruiting event.
- Completed a road survey on West Camp Rapid.

HEADQUARTERS, SD AIR NATIONAL GUARD

ASSISTANT ADJ. GEN. – BG Matthew Jamison
CHIEF OF STAFF – BG Steven Warren
COMMAND CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT –
CCMSGT James Welch

MISSION: Headquarters, SDANG prepares plans, policies and programs for Air National Guard units assigned to the state; advises and assists the adjutant general in execution of these plans; and assists him in the administration, logistics, and training of Air National Guard units.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 26

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training at Camp Rapid in conjunction with the 2014 Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.
- Held Joint Table Top Exercise in preparation for Golden Rally 2015 with multiple local and state agencies.
- Supported Wessington Springs after tornado damage.
- Worked closely with Army counterparts in leading the Joint Diversity Council for the South Dakota National Guard.

114TH FIGHTER WING

114TH COMMANDER – COL Russ Walz
VICE COMMANDER – COL Nate Alholinna
COMMAND CHIEF MASTER SGT –
CMSGT Dean Hillberg

MISSION: The 114th Fighter Wing deploys worldwide and executes directed tactical fighter sorties to destroy enemy forces, supplies, equipment, communications systems and installations with conventional weapons.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 1,034

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Winner of the NGAUS 2014 Spaatz Trophy naming the 114th #1 of 89 Air National Guard wings.
- Received "Highly Effective" overall rating for higher headquarters Unit Effectiveness Inspection. First ANG or active unit to receive "Highly Effective" under new inspection system.
- Recipient of the Governor's South Dakota Safety Council Award of Honor (4th consecutive year) for exceptional accomplishment in workplace injury/illness reduction.





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114TH MISSION SUPPORT GROUP

COMMANDER – COL Edwin Vanderwolde
FIRST SERGEANT – SMSGT Julie Johnson

MISSION: The 114th Mission Support Group's directs the activities of the 114th Civil Engineer Squadron, 114th Logistics Readiness Squadron, 114th Security Forces Squadron, 114th Force Support Squadron and the 114th Communications Flight toward the overall missions and objectives of the 114th Fighter Wing.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 313

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Members received two of the three Outstanding Airman of the Year Categories Award for 2014: Airman and Non-Commissioned Officer.
- Supported the community of Delmont by cleaning up debris piles left from a major thunderstorm. During this project, over 100 loads were hauled to the city landfill.
- During the 2014 Unit Effectiveness Inspection, 27 superior performers were recognized from MSG.

114TH FORCE SUPPORT SQUADRON

COMMANDER – MAJ Sallie Ketcham

MISSION: The Force Support Squadron provides advice and assistance to commanders, supervisors, ANG members, dependents and retirees on personnel policies, programs and entitlements. FSS provides lodging, food service, fitness facility management and mortuary services.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 48

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Through the efforts of precision recruiting and effective retention programs of our Recruiting and Retention staff, the wing met end strength goals of over 100%.
- Successfully promoted and managed the Wing Fitness Program with an overall pass rate surpassing 91%.
- As a precursor to the upcoming Enlisted Performance Report Program, the squadron subject matter expert pro-actively and effectively rolled out the new Airmen Comprehensive Assessment Program for the wing.

114TH CIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON

COMMANDER – LTC Brent Post
FIRST SERGEANT – MSGT Ryan Neugebauer

MISSION: The 114th Civil Engineer Squadron provides personnel capable of deploying anywhere in the world, including bare bases and support aircraft operations with bed-down, rapid runway repair, operations, and maintenance support, emergency management, and crash/fire suppression activities.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 95

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Participated in Community Projects Program; developed and executed unique plan to pair project with training to field and utilize new debris clearance unit training code package as part of a domestic operations scenario.
- Emergency management facilitated community training through events such as HAZMAT I.Q. class, Incident Command System training, hazardous material refresher courses for local medical and fire service groups.

114TH SECURITY FORCES SQUADRON

COMMANDER – MAJ Joseph Hardin
FIRST SERGEANT – MSGT Steve Pederson

MISSION: The 114th Security Forces Squadron augments the host base weapon system security functions to enable them to support additional workloads generated by the assignment of additional tactical aircraft.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 73

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Conducted annual training, completing law enforcement and ground combat skills tasks and annual weapons qualification on five weapon systems.
- Participated in the Military Reserve Exchange Program hosting a British exchange soldier, increasing our understanding of allied nation's reserve forces, building a partnership, and improving joint interoperability.
- Community involvement included Black Hills Veterans March, Armed Forces Day, Peter Auch 5K (Beresford).



114TH LOGISTICS READINESS SQUADRON

COMMANDER – LTC Mary Rysavy
FIRST SERGEANT – MSGT Duane Vandevendel

MISSION: The 114th Logistics Readiness Squadron provides and directs the supply, fuels, procurement, financial, motor vehicle and commercial transportation activities toward the overall objectives and missions of the assigned and attached units of the group.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 78

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Vehicle maintenance section maintains a vehicle fleet of 122 vehicles worth \$16.6 million; continues to be among the top five ANG fighter wing units with a 2014 mission capable rate of 98.5%.
- Directs supply chain activities for over \$50 million in warehouse inventory and over \$72 million in support equipment assets.
- Fuels Flight received and delivered over 2.5 million gallons of Jet A fuel servicing more than 2,300 aircraft.

114TH COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT

COMMANDER – MAJ Kevin Miller

MISSION: The 114th Communications Flight provides communications/computer operators, audio-visual and maintenance functions for Air Combat Command flying unit. The flight will organize, equip and train to provide services for which they are tasked by Air Combat Command.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 32

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Information assurance section selected for Air Combat Command Superior Team Award during Unit Effectiveness Inspection.
- Replacement of 114th FW Wide Area Mass Notification System (Giant Voice).
- Upgraded 114th Fighter Wing facilities internal public address system.
- Started quarterly Saint Francis House meal serving program for Communications Flight members.

114TH OPERATIONS GROUP

114TH OG COMMANDER – COL Gregory Lair
114TH OSS COMMANDER – LTC David Schellinger
175TH FS COMMANDER – LTC Todd Sheridan

MISSION: The 114th OG trains pilots, intelligence, aircrew flight equipment, airfield management, and operations support personnel for world wide deployment and execution of tactical Block 40 F-16C sorties utilizing a wide array of conventional, laser/GPS guided munitions, and air to air weapons to achieve the combat commander's desired effects.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 77

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Aerospace Control Alert – SDANG pilots and aircraft sit alert duty throughout the year on the west coast while the California ANG is engaged in an aircraft transition.
- President of the United States Support – Deployed twice to March Air Reserve Base in California to support airborne patrols over Los Angeles.
- The first two Fighter Squadron female pilots returned from the F-16C Basic Course, culminating an extensive two years of training.

114TH MEDICAL GROUP

COMMANDER – COL Tim Wilkinson
FIRST SERGEANT – MSGT Shawn Greer

MISSION: The 114th Medical Group, upon mobilization, provides manpower replacement tasking by the gaining major command, Air Combat Command. The 114th Medical Group provides limited health services for approximately 1,000 personnel assigned to the 114th Fighter Wing.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 51

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Received training through Simulation-In-Motion, S.D., a mobile education opportunity to practice scenarios that simulate pre-hospital care using life-like computerized mannequins.
- Provided dental health care services as part of project 'Cajun Care' to the under served in Louisiana.
- Inspected as part of the Wing Inspector General Unit Effectiveness Inspection directly contributing to the wing's overall 'Highly Effective' Air Force rating.



114TH MAINTENANCE GROUP

COMMANDER – COL Joel De Groot
DEPUTY COMMANDER – LTC Kevin Curley

MISSION: The 114th Maintenance Group ensures that assigned aircraft and equipment are safe, serviceable and properly configured to meet mission requirements. Maintenance actions include inspection, repair, overhaul, modification, preservation, refurbishment, testing and analyzing condition and performance.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 470

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Supported Homeland Defense's POTUS mission executing 31 sorties and 115 flying hours.
- Participated in Air Combat Command Unit Effectiveness Inspection capstone event receiving the first ever "Highly Effective" rating.
- "Mission Ready" rating received from AF Operational Assessment at Homeland Defense Alert Detachment.
- Selected as first test base for Combat Ammunition System.

114TH MAINTENANCE SQUADRON

COMMANDER – LTC Scott Rust
FIRST SERGEANT – MSGT Thomas Dummermuth

MISSION: The 114th Maintenance Squadron provides support to the 114th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron sortie production and the required depth to sustain maintenance effectiveness. The Squadron is divided into two flights, the Component Maintenance Flight and the Equipment Maintenance Flight. The Flights perform both on and off equipment maintenance on assigned aircraft.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 229

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Jet Engine Shop procured a \$3.5M F110-GE-100 training engine to assist with teaching core task skills for jet engine mechanics.
- Inspection Element's effectiveness at phase inspections increased the time distribution interval between phases on the F-16 to an all-time high of 229 hours.
- Munitions storage supported Snowbird 2014 deployment with 70 live weapons equaling over 30K lbs. and 15K rounds of 20mm bullets.

114TH AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON

COMMANDER – MAJ Kelly Petterson
FIRST SERGEANT – MSGT Justin Rey

MISSION: The 114th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron services, inspects, maintains, launches and recovers assigned and transient aircraft, and ensures all mobility requirements are met. The 114th AMXS includes activities that generate aircraft sorties and train personnel to generate sorties, and is predominantly accomplished in an on-equipment environment, whether in a hangar or on the flight line.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 206

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Supported Snowbird deployment to Davis-Monthan AFB in Arizona with 10 F-16s and 120 Airmen generating 120 mission-effective sorties.
- Performed a sortie surge exercise highlighting ability to generate aircraft at war-time rates receiving a "Highly Effective" rating.
- Supported homeland defense continuously supplying four F-16 Fighter aircraft to the Aerospace Control Alert Detachment at March Air Force Base, California.

114TH MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS FLIGHT

COMMANDER – 2LT Ross Rollinger

MISSION: The 114th Maintenance Operations Flight is responsible to the 114th Maintenance Group commander for aircraft maintenance staff functions required for the efficient operation of the 114th MXG. The flight includes: the maintenance operations center; plans, scheduling and documentation; engine management, training management; maintenance analysis; and maintenance plans and programs.



LOCATION: SIOUX FALLS
SIZE: 24

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Executed annual maintenance plan supporting the Flying Hour program of 3,432 hours and 2,219 sorties.
- Received "Highly Effective" rating during Unit Effectiveness Inspection.
- Completed major time compliance technical order to modify 27 F110-GE-100B jet engines resulting in a complete overhaul of all major components vastly increasing serviceability.

GOLDEN COYOTE TRAINING EXERCISE

MISSION: The Golden Coyote training exercise is one of the nation's top training opportunities for the National Guard, Reserve and active duty forces, as well as military personnel from allied countries. The two-week exercise provides relevant training opportunities in support of overseas contingency operations and homeland defense missions. Golden Coyote offers units the opportunity to conduct combat support missions in a realistic training environment.



SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Hosted the 30th annual Golden Coyote training exercise in the Black Hills in June.
- 45 military units representing 15 states and four foreign nations participated in the 2014 exercise to include the Army, Navy and Air Force.
- Medical personnel traveled to Native American communities to provide immunizations, physicals, health education and veterinary services.
- Crews assisted with the construction of a new training facility for the Black Hills Area Habitat for Humanity. Service members also worked on road improvements and bridge construction throughout the Black Hills National Forest.

SERVICE MEMBER & FAMILY SUPPORT

MISSION: The SMFS helps bond National Guard service members and their families and employers by promoting a sense of camaraderie, helps families in understanding the mission of the SDNG and rewards for belonging, and informs and educates service members, their families and veterans about activities and resources available to them. The SMFS staff not only benefits service members and their families, veterans and employers, but also has a positive impact on a unit's morale and readiness.



SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Family Programs – supporting SD service members, veterans and families through family assistance, family readiness, child/youth and yellow ribbon programs.
- Resilience and Suicide Prevention – providing resilience and suicide prevention training to unit leadership, service members and families.
- Employer Support – promotes a culture in which employers support and value their employee's military service through recognizing employer support, increased awareness of the law and mediation.
- Community Partnerships – forming partnerships with state-level organizations and services.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS PROGRAM

MISSION: The Community Projects Program provides hands-on readiness training opportunities while providing a direct benefit to communities. The program is built upon the long-standing tradition of the National Guard, acting as good neighbors at the local level in applying military personnel to assist worthy civic and community needs.



SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- The 155th En. Co. completed six projects, including construction of a 3,600 square foot, two-story training facility for Black Hills Area Habitat for Humanity.
- The 200th En. Co. completed maintenance on the Missouri River West Shore located in Chamberlain.
- The 842nd En. Co. completed three projects this year, including the construction of a 25,000 cubic foot sediment pond for the SD Bureau of Reclamation near Orman Dam.
- The 927th Engineer Detachment completed two projects this year, including the complete survey of the Black Hills VA Healthcare System campus in Hot Springs.

STATE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

MISSION: Suriname and S.D. established a security cooperation relationship in 2006 under the NG SPP. The two parties have conducted more than 80 engagement activities in support of SOUTHCOM's security cooperation objectives and the interests of the United States, including promoting response capacity and capability for natural disasters and providing humanitarian relief, and maintaining healthy military-to-military relationships.



SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- Eight exchanges involving 30 personnel.
- Women's Exchange to share ideas on the importance of having women in the U.S. and Suriname military.
- OCS leadership exchanges to share ideas on assigning leadership potential and decision-making ability in OCS.
- Logistics Exchange to share ideas regarding the challenges of logistically supporting a large training exercise.
- Reserve Forces Exchange to share ideas on the benefits and challenges of maintaining a reserve force.
- Military Police Exchange to share ideas on how to employ appropriate military police resources and capabilities during a national event.





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